

Medical, Educational, &c. which are usually transferred to Municipalities in British India will continue to be maintained, as now, wholly at Government cost. The local rates charged will in no case exceed fifty per cent of those leviable under the British Indian Acts. The purposes for which additional funds are needed, and the sources from and the manner in which they are to be raised, will, as far as possible, be determined with the consent of the Committees, and provision will be made for so constituting the Committees as to ensure that, so far as may be, they reflect the views and represent the interests of those whom their resolutions would affect.

I think I have said enough on the most important amendment in the Bill. I do not mean to touch on the other amendments at this stage beyond observing that they are all intended to supply the omissions and remove the difficulties which the practical working of the law has brought to light.

Permission was granted accordingly.

THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Thanu Pillai.—I beg to ask for permission to introduce another Bill, namely, the Civil Procedure Code Amendment Bill. I have only a word to say about it. In connection with the State Life Insurance Scheme recently introduced, it was found necessary to embody in the Civil Procedure Code, provisions similar to those contained in the British Indian Act IX of 1897, to protect the Insurance Fund from attachment, and Government thought that the opportunity might be taken to amend the Code in other respects also. Our Code, it will be noted, was based upon the British Indian Code which has since been amended. Opinions were invited and the High Court favoured Government with their suggestions. These suggestions were duly considered and the Bill which I now move for leave to introduce embodies such amendments as have been considered necessary. As the Statement of Objects and Reasons sufficiently explains the several provisions, I think there is no need for me to enter into further details at this stage.

Leave was granted accordingly.

VAKILS REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ramier.—With the permission of the Council, I beg to apply for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Vakils Regulation of 1040. It has been in force for thirty-four years, and the altered condition of things at the present day calls for a better Regulation on the subject, on the lines of the Legal Practitioners Act in force in British India.

Permission was granted accordingly.

The Council adjourned at 5-30 P. M.

K. KRISHNASWAMY RAO,
President.